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FIFTEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,  
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to  
the following document:

"Introducing the Red Tag™ Security System,"  
Amaray Media Packaging, Corby, Northants,  
England, pp. 1-14.

A copy of the document is enclosed herewith (Ex. 1).

In applicants' Twelfth [Supplemental] Information  
Disclosure Statement, filed on September 29, 2005,  
applicants informed the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
that applicants' Australian Innovation Patent  
No. 2005100430 (Ex. 2 (copies of cover page and claims

only)), which issued from an Australian counterpart of the instant application, was the subject of litigation in the Federal Court of Australia, New South Wales District (Docket No. 1082 of 2005). In the litigation, applicants alleged that the AGI Amaray (Northants, England) "Red Tag" container, which is distributed in Australia by defendant DRM Trading Pty Ltd (New South Wales, Australia), infringes the Innovation Patent. The litigation was dismissed with the consent of the parties on December 22, 2006.

Applicants wish to make the Patent and Trademark Office aware of the aforementioned document, which applicants believe illustrates features of the Red Tag container.

37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii) requires that this information disclosure statement include a legible copy of the document. The attached copy (Ex. 1) is the best copy in applicants' possession or control. Applicants therefore include a copy (Ex. 3) of DuBois Limited's International Publication No. WO 02/39451 A2, that, applicants believe, shows features of the Red Tag container, including at least some that are also shown in the brochure. (DuBois Limited is an affiliate of AGI Amaray.)

Applicants respectfully assert that the International Publication does not qualify as prior art under Title 35, United States Code, at least because (1) the international filing date (November 12, 2001) of the underlying international application is later than the actual filing date of this application; and (2) the international application priority date is based on a foreign priority document. See MPEP 706.02(f)(1) Chart II.

37 C.F.R. § 1.98(b)(5) requires that the document be identified by publisher, title, relevant pages and date

and place of publication. Applicants have set forth above the information shown on the document regarding publisher, title, page numbers and place of publication. The date of publication is not shown on the document and is unknown to applicants. Nevertheless, applicants believe that the document was published no later than November, 2000. Applicants are unaware of any evidence purporting to show that the brochure was published prior to applicants' July 31, 2000 priority date. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge in his next communication that the documents enclosed with this Statement have been considered.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4), submission of this Information Disclosure Statement requires no fee. However, if for any reason a fee is due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 000878-0011. A duplicate copy of the Statement is being transmitted herewith.



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Exhibits 1-3